

The Friends of the Hayward Public Library proudly present...

AT YOUR LIBR@RY!

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"Heart of the City"

Summer 2013

EDUCATION IS THE KEY

At Hayward Public Library, our goal is to deliver equal opportunity in education to every Hayward resident. This is because we believe that life-long education is the key to a stronger, brighter future for any community.

Whether it's through early childhood education classes for young children and parents; afterschool homework help for students; literacy tutoring for adults who lack basic reading and writing proficiency; or English as Second Language training for non-native speakers of English, we place an emphasis on meeting the lifelong learning needs of every person in Hayward. In this regard, the Library is truly the community's learning center.

Books will always be the heart and soul of the library, but our educational mission now extends far beyond books—and even beyond the four walls of our buildings. Through new partnerships and innovative programs, we continuously strive to meet Hayward's changing educational needs.

Thanks for reading our redesigned newsletter; we hope you enjoy it. We invite you to visit our libraries, check out our programs and services, and connect to us online. There are so many exciting things happening at your library this summer, including our new seed lending library, our fifth annual Family Fun Fest in the park, and of course, our Summer Reading Challenge. Read on to learn more.

-- Sean Reinhart, Library Director

TAKE THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Did you know that when children don't read over the summer months when school is out, they can lose up to two full grade levels of reading comprehension? Prevent the "summer slide" by signing up for Hayward Public Library's Summer Reading Challenge. It's easy and fun for all ages!



Summer Reading in Three Easy Steps:

1. Sign up in the Library or online after June 15
2. Read your favorite books and magazines (children and adults can play on their own; or they may read books to children or younger siblings).
3. Record your hours to win fabulous prizes!

Visit www.library.hayward-ca.gov for more information and to register.

Summer Reading Challenge sponsored by Friends of the Library



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Downtown Main Library

835 C Street
Hayward, CA 94541
Phone: 510-293-8685

Weekes Branch Library

27300 Patrick St.
Hayward, CA 94544
Phone: 510-782-2155

Email: library@hayward-ca.gov
<http://library.hayward-ca.gov>



The Friends of the Hayward Public Library is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization supporting Hayward Public Library since 1982. The Friends of the Library believe that the library is an essential part of our community's vitality, education, and health. The Friends' mission is to raise funds and stimulate community support for Hayward Public Library and its services, programs and activities.

JUDY'S JOTTINGS ...from the Friends of the Library

"Book lovers will understand me, and they will know too that part of the pleasure of a library lies in its very existence." -- Author Jan Morris, quoted in Heart of the Community: The Libraries We Love.

And speaking of book lovers, did you know our all-volunteer book-sorting brigade handles over 1.5 million used books and media every year? Last year we raised over \$37,000 at our fundraising book sales! A big thank you goes out to all of our donors and purchasers.

This year we recognized our volunteer cashiers and sorters at a tea at the Golden Tea Garden on Main Street. Shelby and Chad Haacke are our Volunteers of the Year. They will be honored at the

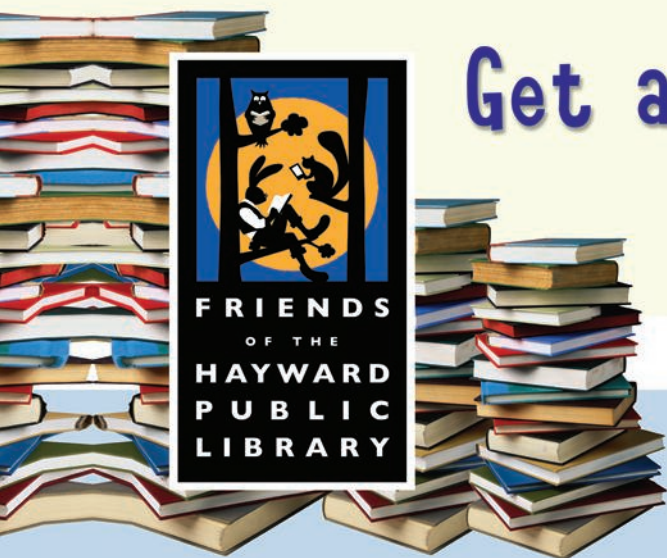
October 8 Annual Volunteer Recognition and Award Dinner at St. Rose Hospital's Grand White Tent.

Our big project for the summer is the Summer Reading Challenge, for which we have provided funding for the prizes and some of the books. We will have a special children's book sale at the Family Fun Fest on August 10th.

Remember, your library is one of the best resources in our community. It can assist, educate, entertain and inspire all at once, which is why we need a new bigger facility. Get out and advocate for it now!

Judy Harrison is President of the Friends of the Hayward Public Library and also serves on the City of Hayward Library Commission.

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Get a Great Deal on Books!

SATURDAYS 9:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.
HAYWARD FARMER'S MARKET (C ST. & WATKINS)*

100% of proceeds support Library programs for kids & families

Join the Friends online today!
www.Library.Hayward-CA.gov



Grow • Eat • Share

SEED LENDING LIBRARY

People used to always ask us, “whatever happened to the card catalog?” We are pleased to say that our card catalogs are now back in useful service in our new seed lending library. In addition to books and media, now you can borrow heirloom flower and vegetable seeds to plant in your home garden. Grow them into mature plants, then harvest the seeds again and return them to the library for others to use. All seeds are GMO-free and ready to germinate.

Registration is free to any Hayward library card holder. Stay tuned for more workshops on seed saving and sustainable gardening techniques, including a seed harvesting seminar this fall. Visit the downtown Main Library for more information, and to sign up.

Sponsored by Friends of the Library and Kaiser Foundation

SUMMER LEARNING CAMP FOR KIDS

Stay sharp over the summer, improve skills, and have fun! Our three-day Summer Learning Camp helps students remain academically active through their summer vacations and improve their math, science, computer, reading, and writing skills. Trained volunteer tutors from the After School Homework Support Center work with students in small groups on enrichment activities for each week.

Registration is required, and space is limited.

Call 881-7945 to register

Limited to students entering grades 3-8.

Day One: Math and Science Skills
Day Two: History and Computer Skills
Day Three: Reading and Writing Skills

Main Library

2:00 - 4:00 pm
June 17-19
June 24-26
July 1-3

Weekes Branch

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
July 9-11
July 16-18
July 23-25

FAMILY FUN FEST!

**Saturday, August 10
11:00 am—2:00 pm
Main Library**

*Sponsored by
Friends of the Library*

Bring the whole family to the downtown Hayward Library Park to celebrate the end of summer!

Featuring

Little Explorers Petting Zoo

11:00-2:00

Make new friends with these sweet, gentle, and loveable farm animals.

The Surfing Magician 12:00 pm

Santa Cruz's finest magician mystifies audiences with his fantastic illusions.

Busy Bee Dogs 1:00 pm

Trick Dog Act! 45 minutes of comedy, tricks and stunts, performed by dog stars.

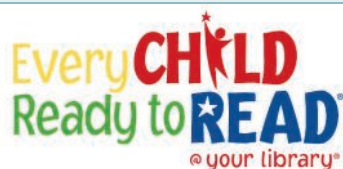
City of Hayward Fire Department Police Department

Climb on a fire truck and sit in a police car!



**Bounce House
& Jumpies**
*Courtesy of
Hayward Area
Recreation &
Park District*

*Ice Cream and Snacks
Provided By
Dreyer's and Clif Bar*



Learning to read begins at birth! Practice these five early literacy practices to help your child get ready to read.

Talking: Children learn about language by listening to parents and caregivers talk and by joining in conversation. Very young children can understand spoken words long before they can speak them - so talk to them and you will be amazed at how your child responds.

Writing: Scribbling and drawing are forms of writing — they may not be words, but the lines and pictures your child draws mean something to them.

Reading: Reading together remains the *single most effective way* to help children become proficient readers. Children who enjoy being read to are more likely to want to learn to read themselves.

Playing: Play is one of the primary ways young children learn about how the world works and learn language. Play is how children practice becoming adults and process what they see and hear everyday.

Singing: Singing develops listening and memory skills and makes repetition easier for young children — it's easier to remember a short song than a short story.

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STORYTIMES AND EARLY LITERACY

LEARN AND PLAY GROUP (AGES 0-36 MONTHS)

A one-hour child/caregiver program designed to help children gain early literacy skills and social interaction. Advance registration required.

Main Library

510-881-7945

Thursdays, 10:15-11:15

Thursdays, 11:30-12:30

July Registration: Thurs, June 27

August Registration: Thurs, July 26

Weekes Branch

510-293-5366

Mondays, 11:15-12:15 am

July Registration: Mon, June 24

August Registration: Mon, July 29

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MUSIC AND MOVEMENT (AGES 0-6)

Music, songs, rhymes, and finger plays for parents and children.

Main Library

Saturdays, 10:30 am

Weekes Branch

Fridays, 10:30 am

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PRESCHOOL STORIES (AGES 3 – 5)

One hour story time to help kids get ready for preschool.

Main Library

Tuesdays, 11:30 am

Weekes Branch

Thursdays 11:30 am

APRENDE Y JUEGA EN ESPAÑOL EADAES: NACIMIENTO-5 ANOS

Un programa para niños y padres/tutor legal para ayudar a los niños a desarrollar habilidades de lectura a temprana edad e interactuar socialmente.

Registración Requerida.

Llame 510-881-7943

Principal Main

Jueves 1:30-2:30 pm

Sucursal Weekes

Lunes 1:00-2:00 pm

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BILINGUAL STORIES (AGES 0-5)

Stories, songs, and rhymes in English and Spanish for the whole family.

Main Library

Wednesdays 1:30 pm

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WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS (ALL AGES)

A story time for kids of all ages and their favorite adult.

Weekes Branch

Wednesdays 6:30 pm

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RHYTHM AND RHYME (ALL AGES)

30 minutes of music, finger plays, & rhymes.

Weekes Branch

Tuesdays 11:15 am

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BEDTIME STORIES (ALL AGES)

One hour of books, songs, rhymes, and crafts. songs, rhymes, and crafts.

Main Library

Tuesdays 6:30 pm

NEW THIS SUMMER!

BOOK BUDDIES

A reading program that pairs teen volunteers with struggling readers entering grades 1-3.

Book Buddies meet once a week for 45 minutes to read together and do literacy activities.

For information, please call Cheryl,
510-881-7953, or email
cheryl.penick@hayward-ca.gov.

YOGA ADVENTURES AGES 5-8 WITH AN ADULT

Increase strength, flexibility, and concentration while having fun!

Mondays, 3:30-4:30 pm

Weekes: June 10, 17, 24 & July 1

Main: July 8, 15, 22 & 29

Space is limited and advanced registration is required. Call Michael, 510-881-7947 to enroll.

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES

DAVE THE HORN GUY

Saturday, June 29th

11 am - Main

3 pm - Weekes

Musician and comedian Dave the Horn Guy educates and entertains with his 25 horn extravaganza.

MAGICAL MOONSHINE

THEATRE

Saturday, July 20th

11 am - Main

2 pm - Weekes

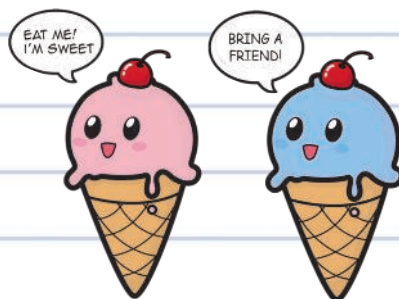
The puppeteers of Magical Moonshine Theatre present "Puppylocks and the Three Bears"!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Wednesday, July 3rd,

2 pm - Weekes

Join us for our 5th Annual Ice Cream Social! Learn how to make your own ice cream at home, and sample different home made flavors! All ages are welcome.



The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year. All books can be found in the Teen section at Main or Weekes. Check one out today!

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR TEENS (GRADES 7-12)

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

Student Friends

Help children with the Summer Reading Challenge while earning service credit for school. Attend an orientation session to find out more. For grades 7-12 only.

Orientation Sessions

Weekes: Tuesdays 4:30-5:30
June 11, 18, 25 & July 2, 9, 16

Main: Mondays, 6:00-7:30
June 10, June 24 & July 8
Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 pm
June 19 and July 17

Book Buddies

New this year! Trained teen volunteers work one-on-one with struggling readers in grades 1-3 to practice reading and do literacy activities together. For more information or to volunteer, call Cheryl 881-7953, or email cheryl.penick@hayward-ca.gov.

JEWELRY MAKING 101

Thursdays July 11, 18 & Aug 1
Main Library 2:30-4:00 pm

Learn to make beautiful beaded jewelry for your friends or yourself. All supplies will be provided—just bring your imagination! Grades 7-12 only.

PUBLIC SPEAKING AND INTERVIEW SKILLS

Did you know that more people are afraid of public speaking than death? Lose the fear and learn how to excel at interviews for college and jobs. Registration is required, and space is limited. Call 510-881-7945 to register beginning June 17. Grades 9-12 only.

Main: Tuesdays, 2-3:30 pm
July 9, 16, and 23

Weekes: Fridays, 3-4:30 pm
July 12, 19, and 26

CANDY SUSHI

Wednesday, June 19th, 2 pm
Weekes

Be part of the fun as we turn candy into edible sushi art! This free, hands-on program is for kids, teens, and families. For more information call 510-293-5366.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

June 15 - August 3rd

Don't let your younger brothers and sisters have all of the fun! Sign up in the library or on our webpage (library.hayward-ca.gov) to read, compete with your friends, and win great prizes.

- ⇒ ***Fault in Our Stars***
John Green
- ⇒ ***Divergent***
Veronica Roth
- ⇒ ***Legend***
Marie Lu
- ⇒ ***Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children***
Ransom Riggs
- ⇒ ***What Happened to Goodbye?***
Sarah Dessen
- ⇒ ***Across the Universe.***
Beth Revis
- ⇒ ***Cinder***
Marissa Meyer
- ⇒ ***Scorpio Races***
Maggie Stiefvater
- ⇒ ***Where She Went***
Gayle Forman
- ⇒ ***Abandon.***
Meg Cabot

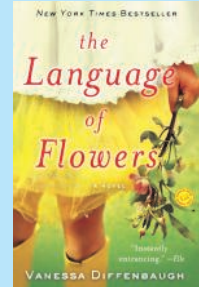
The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) is a division of the American Library Association



MEET BESTSELLING AUTHOR VANESSA DIFFENBAUGH

**Saturday, August 17
2:00 p.m., Hayward City Hall, Council Chambers**

The Language of Flowers, Vanessa Diffenbaugh's moving and elegantly written debut novel, creates a vivid portrait of a young woman whose gift for flowers helps her change the lives of others even as she struggles to overcome her own troubled past as a foster care child. Don't miss this special opportunity to talk with the author of this well-loved book. *The Language of Flowers* was Hayward's 2013 World Book Night selection distributed by volunteer book givers locally to 340 readers on April 23.



BOOK DISCUSSION Monday, June 3

6:30 p.m., Main Library

On April 23, Hayward Library World Book Night volunteers distributed 340 free copies of *The Language of Flowers* to light or non-readers. Join us for a follow-up discussion of this best-selling debut novel and prepare for the author's visit on August 17.

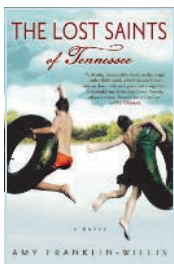
Welcome Vanessa back to the Bay Area and hear from representatives of organizations that support youth transitioning from foster care, including the Camellia Network, a group that she cofounded. In *The Language of Flowers*, Camellia means "My Destiny is in Your Hands."

Born in San Francisco and raised in Chico, Vanessa Diffenbaugh studied creative writing and education at Stanford. She went on to teach art and writing to youth in low-income communities. She and her husband have three children, including a former foster child currently attending New York University on a Gates Millennium Scholarship.

LOCAL AUTHOR AMY FRANKLIN-WILLIS AND MUSICIAN ANDREW CASTRO

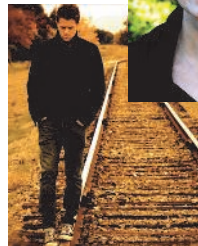
**Saturday, June 15
1:00 p.m.
Main Library**

Don't miss the opportunity to welcome Castro Valley-based writer Amy Franklin-Willis, author of *The Lost Saints of Tennessee*, and musician Andrew Castro, who will perform original songs inspired by Franklin-Willis's debut novel and recorded on CD.



The Lost Saints of Tennessee tells the story of three generations of a working class Southern family from the 1940s to the 1980s. *Library Journal* wrote in its starred

review, "Franklin-Willis plumbs the depths of family dynamics, compassionately depicting her characters as they struggle with situations over which they have no control." After losing his twin to a drowning accident and his wife to divorce, Zeke Cooper leaves his mother and two daughters behind in Tennessee and travels to Virginia horse country, where he considers his responsibility to repair his fractured family.

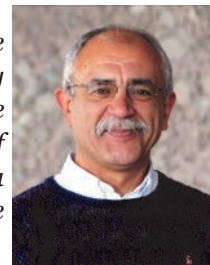


DISCUSIÓN DEL LIBRO HIJA DE LA FORTUNA DE ISABEL ALLENDE EN ESPAÑOL

**Sábado, 13 de Julio
1:00 p.m.
Principal Main**

Join Chabot College Spanish Professor and Hayward City Councilmember Francisco Zermeno for a discussion, in Spanish, of *Hija de la Fortuna*. Request a copy of the book in Spanish at the Information Desk at the Main Library or Weekes Branch.

Event made possible by Mosaico de Literatura of the California Center for the Book



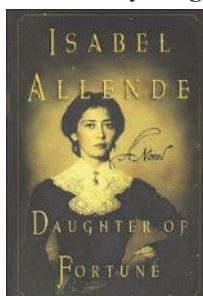
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: MOSTLY LITERARY FICTION

Mondays, Noon at Peet's Coffee (B St. & Mission) and 6:30 p.m. at Main Library

DAUGHTER OF FORTUNE

June 10

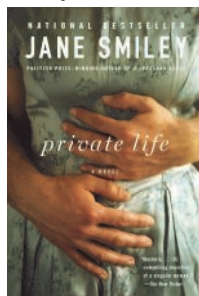
An orphan raised in Chile, vivacious young Eliza Sommers follows her lover to California during the Gold Rush of 1849 in Isabel Allende's acclaimed novel. Entering a rough-and-tumble world, Eliza moves in a society of single men and prostitutes with the help of her good friend, the Chinese doctor Tao Chi'en. California opens the door to a new life of independence to the young Chilean, and her search for her elusive lover gradually turns into another kind of journey.



PRIVATE LIFE

July 8

Margaret Mayfield is considered nearly an old maid at twenty-seven when she marries a naval officer in post-Civil War Missouri. He's a brilliant astronomer, but his devotion to science leaves no room for anything, or anyone, else. Amid personal tragedies and national crises, Margaret stands by her husband. But as World War II approaches, his obsessions take a different, darker turn, and Margaret is forced to reconsider the life she has so carefully constructed.



THE HAND THAT FIRST HELD MINE

August 12

Lexie Sinclair yearns for more than her parents' genteel country life in England. She makes her way to the city, where she meets a magazine editor who introduces her to the thrilling world of Bohemian postwar London. When she becomes pregnant, she doesn't hesitate to have the baby on her own. Later, in present-day London, a young painter named Elina dizzily navigates the first weeks of motherhood, nearly dying in labor. Her boyfriend recovers lost memories that reveal connections between these two stories.



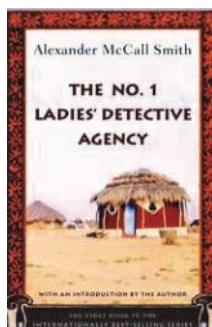
Did you know that adults can participate in the Summer Reading Challenge too? Catch up on your reading and win prizes, including a Kindle. Register at library.hayward-ca.gov beginning June 15.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: MYSTERIES

Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. at Le Paradis Bakery (D St. and Mission)

THE NO. 1 LADIES' DETECTIVE AGENCY

June 4



Alexander McCall-Smith introduces the endearing, engaging, simply irresistible proprietress of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency, Precious Ramotswe, the owner of the first and only detective agency in Botswana. With persistent observation, gentle intuition, and a keen desire to help people with the problems of their lives, this African version of Miss Marple solves mysteries great and small for friends and strangers alike with help from her loyal assistant, Grace Makutsi, and the occasional cup of tea.



BLIND GODDESS

July 2

Anne Holt, one of the most successful crime novelists in Norway, introduces the world of brilliant, arrogant Police Detective Hanne Wilhelmsen and her admiring colleagues: a world where the goddess of justice is blindfolded, and it is their job to do her bidding. A drug-related murder unravels a corrupt network in the police and justice departments, with an ulterior motive to finance Norwegian secret service operations. Just as tough and smart as Lisbeth Salander, Hanne plays by the rules, for the most part, and still gets the bad guy.



**TAKE THE SUMMER
READING CHALLENGE**
June 15 - August 3

Read on your own, read with your kids, listen to an audiobook, or participate in other library activities. Get a coupon for a free used book from the Friends of the Library just for signing up. The more hours you read, the more entries you receive in a drawing to win fabulous prizes, including the grand prize: a Kindle ebook reader. Register and start reading at www.library.hayward-ca.gov.

LAUGHTER YOGA

Saturdays

June 1, July 6, Aug. 3

3:00 p.m. Main Library

Studies have shown that laughter reduces stress, increases happiness, and improves respiratory flow. Join us to see how silliness is great for your health.

KNITTING CIRCLE

Wednesdays

June 12, July 10, Aug. 14

6:00 p.m. Main Library

Welcome knitters of all skill levels! The Circle meets on the 2nd Wednesday every month and includes other fiber crafts—crochet, needlepoint, tatting, etc. Bring size 10 knitting needles and yarn of your choice. We have extra supplies available if needed. Bring your project and knit (or tat or crochet) with us!

LAWYER IN THE LIBRARY

Main Library

Saturdays, 12:00-2:00 pm

June 1, July 6, August 3

and

Mondays, 6:00-7:45 pm

June 3, July 1, August 5

Weekes Branch

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:45 pm

June 19, July 17, August 21

Do you need free legal advice, but don't know where to begin? Get 15 minutes of free legal advice with a licensed attorney.

Registration begins 30 minutes before the first session and must be done in person. Space is limited, and consultation is assigned by lottery.

Lawyer in the Library is sponsored by the Alameda County Bar Association.

AYURVEDA SEMINAR

Saturday, June 8

2:00-3:30 p.m., Weekes Branch Library

Dr. Soumya Upadhyaya is a practitioner of Ayurveda, a system of Indian traditional medicine. During this seminar, she will demonstrate pranayama or breathing techniques, some common herbs and how to use them. She will also talk about some diseases—asthma, diabetes, hypertension, fibromyalgia—and how to treat them naturally.

RESUMÉ TIPS AND INTERVIEW SKILLS

Wednesday, June 12

1:00-4:00 p.m., Weekes Branch Library

The Eden Area One Stop Career Center staff will present an important workshop about understanding the essentials of resume development and effective interviewing skills to help you secure your next job.

WHAT'S UP BIG BAND

Saturday, July 13

2:00-4:00 p.m., Weekes Branch Library

Enjoy the sounds of yesteryear as What's Up Big Band plays hits from the Big Band era. This amazing band made up of twenty local musicians will be making a much anticipated return to Weekes Branch. Take a trip down memory lane with the band. Bring your dancing shoes and enjoy a toe-tapping good time.

COUPON SWAP

Saturday, August 24

2:00-3:30 p.m., Weekes Branch Library

Have coupons that you don't need? Want to trade those coupons for ones that you can use? Bring your coupons to the swap. Participants should bring coupons that are trimmed and have at least one month before expiration. Bring a coupon, take a coupon.

Visit us online for complete news and events listings:
library-hayward-ca.gov

WRITERS' GROUP @ MAIN LIBRARY

Saturday, June 8, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Wednesdays, June 26 and July 17, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 13, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Get feedback on your original writing in a peer-supported writers' group facilitated by local writer Leticia Garcia Bradford. Stay on track with your writing, whether it's fiction, non-fiction, or poetry. Bring 5-10 copies of the piece you wish to share with the group. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library.*

PUBLIC READING WITH LOCAL WRITER MARÍA OCHOA

Saturday, August 31, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library.



Participants of the Library's Writers' Group present samples of their work, along with featured guest María Ochoa, who will present excerpts from her memoir -in-progress, *Adventures of a Brown Biscuit*. María Ochoa's books include *Russell City: Images of America*; *Shout Out: Women of Color Respond to Violence*; *Creative Collectives: Chicana Painters Working in Community*, and *Enunciating Our Terms*. The recipient of multiple awards and distinctions, Dr. Ochoa teaches writing and history at San José State University.

PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP

Saturday, July 27

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Main Library

Would you like to perform your original writing on stage or at open mics? This fun and engaging workshop will include breathing, vocalization, and performance exercises, and an opportunity to prepare for the Writers' Group Reading in August.

Led by Leticia Garcia Bradford, who has taught and directed theater for youth for over ten years and led storytelling workshops for adults. Bring a copy of your writing to rehearse.

Advance registration is required. Contact Sally Thomas at 510-881-7700 or sally.thomas@hayward-ca.gov to register. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library.*

“If there's a book that you want to read, but it hasn't been written yet, then you must write it.” – Toni Morrison

LITERACY PLUS ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLES

This summer, practice and improve your English conversation in a relaxed and friendly environment. Classes are FREE! No registration is needed and drop-ins are welcome.

Main Library NEW CLASS!

Fridays 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Weekes Library

Saturdays 10:15 - 12:00 noon



Day Labor Center

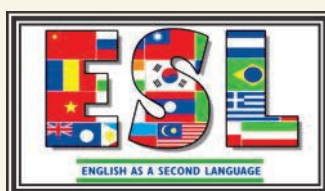
680 Tennyson Road

Mondays-Thursdays 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

La Familia Resource Center

22366 Fuller Avenue

Tuesdays 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.



NEED HELP READING, WRITING OR SPELLING?

YOU CAN GET FREE TUTORING IF:

- ◆ You read below the 8th grade level
- ◆ You can speak English
- ◆ You are 18+ and not in high school
- ◆ You never went to college

Call 510-881-7910

Literacy Plus
Hayward Main Library



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news and photos on your
computer or mobile device
in real time!



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HaywardLibrary

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER THIS SUMMER

Friends of the Library Book Sales

Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday of the month
Downtown Hayward Farmer's Market
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Library Commission Meetings

Monday, June 17th and Monday, August 19th
6:30 p.m. at the Downtown Main Library

Hayward Literacy Council Meetings

4th Tuesdays of the month
5:00 p.m. at City Hall

Summer Reading Challenge

Begins June 15, 2013
Ends August 3, 2013

Family Fun Fest!

Saturday, August 10th
11:00 a.m. in the Downtown Library Park

Meet Author Vanessa Diffenbaugh

Saturday, August 17
2:00 p.m. at Hayward City Hall, Council Chambers

Library Homework Centers Reopen

After school every Mon-Thurs starting Sept 9th.
See website for locations and times.

Be a Volunteer!

A few hours of volunteer service per month can make a
big difference. Click the Volunteering link on our web-
site to learn how you can help!

WEEKES BRANCH - YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY

Weekes Branch Library is your neighborhood library in South Hayward. Weekes Branch offers a wide range of educational and entertaining programs for all ages. Programs for children include Early Literacy programming such as storytimes and Learn and Play Parent/Child Workshops, Music and Movement kinetic learning, and Summer Learning Camp. Special teen-only events include volunteer programs such as the Teen Advisory Group and Student Friends, as well as public speaking and craft programs. Job-seekers can update resumés and brush up on interview techniques in workshops by Eden Area One-Stop Career Center. All ages can join the Summer Reading Challenge and enjoy the yesteryear sounds of local musical troupe "What's Up Big Band". Stop by and visit us this summer!



Weekes Branch Library, 27300 Patrick St. at Tennyson Rd.

THE DOWNTOWN HAYWARD LIBRARY – A BRIEF HISTORY

“Library Park”

In the early days of Hayward in the mid-1800s, Mission Boulevard was known as Castro Street, named for Don Guillermo Castro, the original ranch owner in the area whose adobe house once stood near the intersection of present day C Street and Mission Blvd. Next to Don Castro's house was a large corral for his horses. By the late 1880's, Don Castro's former corral was used as a central park in the new town of “Haywards”. Some of the trees in present day “Library Park” date back to these early days of Hayward.

Hayward's First Public Library

Hayward's library history began with a 1867 Good Templars Society library and other public reading rooms and libraries in 1892, 1896 and 1898, before the then city of "Haywards" provided library funding in 1901; all were housed in temporary quarters. In 1903 the Ladies Improvement Club led the campaign for a permanent building. In April 1906, Hayward Public Library was founded with the construction of a Carnegie-funded library building at what is now B Street and Foothill Boulevard. The Carnegie library was demolished to make way for the construction of “The Strip” on Foothill Boulevard in 1949, and plans were laid for the subsequent construction of the current Main Library building in Library Park in 1951.

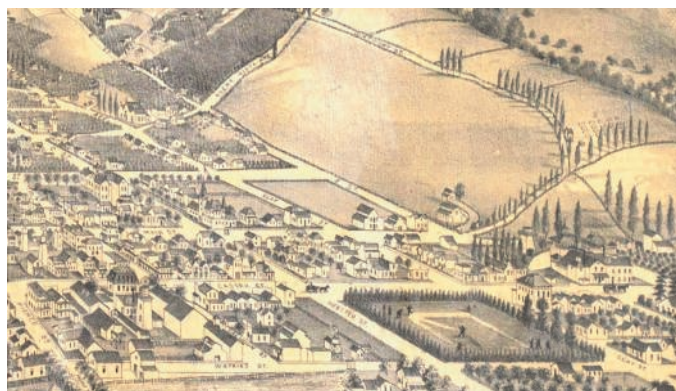


Hayward's Carnegie Library, 1906

This is remarkable when one considers that Hayward has by far the smallest libraries in the Bay Area (when measured by square feet of library space per capita). Hayward's libraries are also among the very smallest in the state of California. Hayward has 0.23 square feet of library space per capita. By comparison, the Bay Area average is 0.73 square feet per capita, and the state average is 0.43 square feet per capita. The current Main Library is approximately 24,000 square feet in size; Weekes Branch is approximately 9,500 square feet.

In 2008, the City of Hayward commissioned a comprehensive Community Needs Analysis for a new downtown library, which concluded that Hayward needs a minimum of 0.75 square feet of library space per capita, including a 55,000 square foot downtown Main Library facility, to compensate for population growth since the 1950's and to meet future community needs through the year 2030.

Since the year 2000 several Bay Area communities have built new libraries including: Castro Valley, San Leandro, Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, Dublin, Livermore, Milpitas, Santa Clara, San Jose, Los Gatos, Redwood City, San Mateo, and San Francisco, among others.



Detail from "Bird's Eye View of Haywards" (circa 1889). Note the tree-bordered baseball field at the intersection of Webster Street (C Street) and Castro Street (Mission Blvd), presently occupied by the Main Library and Library Park.

Hayward's Main Library in 1951 – and Today

When the present Hayward Main Library was built in 1951, Hayward had a population of 14,000 people. Today, the city of Hayward is the Bay Area's fifth largest city, a bustling and diverse community of 146,000 people. In 2012, Hayward Public Library circulated 1.3 million items. Hayward's two libraries were visited 610,000 times, including 400,000 visits to the downtown Main Library. It was the library's busiest year of all time.



Downtown Hayward Library in 1958

JOIN THE FRIENDS!

The Friends of the Hayward Public Library is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has supported Hayward Public Library since 1982. The Friends of the Library believe that the library is an essential part of our community's vitality, education, and health. The Friends' mission is to raise funds and stimulate community support for Hayward Public Library and the Library's activities. Gifts of books, magazines, endowments, bequests, and membership in the organization are encouraged in support of this mission. Thank you for your tax-deductible donation. 100% of proceeds donated to the Friends are used to support Hayward Public Library projects and activities for Hayward families and children.

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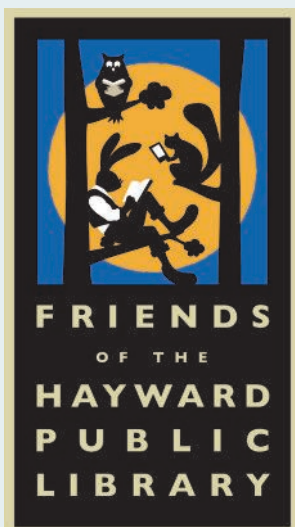
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